except that it shall not be lawful for such non-resident to become a director of said company.

Section 16. The company so formed may adopt By-laws and such by-laws for its regulation as are not inconsistent regulations, with the provisions of this act, and may therein prescribe the compensation of its officers.

Section 17. All companies heretofore organized What compaunder the various laws in relation to town insurance nies deemed companies, shall be deemed to be organized under der this act. the provisions of this act, and the several acts of such companies are hereby legalized and declared valid.

Section 18. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

Section 19. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 13, 1876.

## CHAPTER 345.

[Published April 1, 1876.]

AN ACT to codify and consolidate the laws relating to pay and mileage of members, pay of employes, and providing for newspapers, postage-stamps, stationery, and opening of legislature.

The people of the State of Wisconsin represented in senate und assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Each member of the senate and assem- Salary and bly of this state shall be entitled to receive the sum mileage of members. of three hundred and fifty dollars annually, and ten cents per mile for the distance he shall have to travel in going to and returning from the place of the meeting of the legislature, on the most usual route; provided, that neither party claiming a contested seat in the senate or assembly, shall be entitled to receive any salary or mileage until the question of the right to such seat has been settled.

SECTION 2. It shall be the duty of the presiding of-presiding officers of the senate and assembly, respectively, to is-certificates of sue, immediately after the commencement of the an-membership and mileage. nual session of the legislature in each year, to each member of the house over which they respectively preside, who is entitled to receive the same, a certificate, countersigned by the chief clerk, showing that such member has taken the prescribed official oath,

Payment of salaries and mileage.

and also showing the number of miles traveled by such member in reaching the place of the meeting of the legislature; and upon presentation of such certificate to the secretary of state, he shall issue his warrant for the amount of mileage and the annual salary, to which such member is entitled, directed to the state treasurer, whose duty it shall be to pay the same on presentation.

Compensation of speaker of

Section 3. The speaker of the assembly shall be entitled to receive the same compensation allowed to other members of the legislature, for his services as speaker of the assembly; but in case of an extra session of the legislature no extra compensation shall be allowed.

Newspapers to members and officers.

Section 4. Members of the legislature, the lieutenant-governor, the chief clerk, and sergeant-at-arms of the senate, and the chief clerk and sergeant-at-arms of the assembly, are hereby authorized, during each session of the legislature, to take such newspapers as each may choose, at the expense of the state, at a cost not to exceed twenty dollars (\$20) to each member and officer named, for the session.

List of papers to be left with scretary of state who shall orger same.

Section 5. Members of the legislature and officers named in the preceding section shall each leave with the secretary of state a list of such papers as he may desire to have ordered in his behalf, and it is made the duty of the secretary of state to order the papers named in such lists to be sent to the members or officers desiring the same, to the amount named in the preceding section.

How accounts

Section 6. All accounts for newspapers furnished for newspapers to members and officers of the legislature as in this act provided, verified by the affidavit of the claimant that the newspapers were actually furnished by such claimant to the members and officers (naming them individually) upon the order of the secretary of state, shall be audited and allowed so far as they are found to correspond with the orders so as aforesaid, made by the secretary of state, and his warrant shall be drawn upon the treasury, for the payment thereof; provided, that the rate for auditing bills for papers shall be in accordance with the published rates per annum for such papers, for the time they are taken by the members or officers of the legislature.

Stationery.

Section 7. The amount of stationery furnished in any one year to each and every member of the legislature, lieutenant-governor, chief clerks and the ser-

geant-at-arms, shall not exceed in value thirty dol-Tars.

SECTION 8. The per diem of the officers of the leg- Per diem of islature shall be as follows: The chief clerks, each six officers and employees. dollars; the assistant clerks, book-keepers, sergeantat-arms, each five dollars; the assistant sergeant-atarms and postmasters, each four dollars; to all other clerks, assistant postmasters, each three dollars and fifty cents; to the clerks of standing committees, door-keepers, firemen, porters, gallery-attendants and night-watchmen, each three dollars; to all messengers, each two dollars.

SECTION 9. The per diem hereby established shall What time per only be allowed from the commencement to the ad-diem to be allowed. journment of the legislature, and each of the officers mentioned in this act is hereby authorized to receive his per diem from the treasury, on the certificate of the presiding officers of their respective houses as to the number of days attendance.

Section 10. The superintendent of public property Postage is hereby authorized to procure and deliver to, the stamps to mem lientenant-governor, and each member of the senate and assembly as soon as practicable after the opening of each annual session, postage stamps to the amount of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) and of such denomination as those receiving such stamps may desire.

SECTION 11. The superintendent of public property same to officers is directed to procure and deliver, immediately after the opening of the legislature in each year, to the chief clerks and sergeant-at-arms of the senate and assembly, each, postage stamps to the amount of fifteen dollars.

SECTION 12. The superintendent of public property Stationery to is hereby authorized to issue to the several standing committees of the legislature upon the written requisition of the chairman thereof, the necessary amount of stationery; provided, that an amount not exceeding five dollars in value shall be issued to any committee during one session of the legislature.

Section 13. The superintendent of public property stationery and is hereby authorized to furnish annually to the duly stamps to reauthorized reporters of daily newspapers, stationery to the amount of twenty dollars and postage-stamps to the amount of ten dollars, upon the certificate of the publisher of said paper that they have employed the person named in the certificate, and for the full session of the legislature, and that they will publish the proceedings, which certificate shall be endorsed

by the presiding officer of the house in which such reporter has been engaged; but one person shall be entitled to draw stationery as reporter of any newspaper; and no person shall draw stationery as reporter for more than one branch of the legislature.

Pay of chief clerks for open ing session.

Section 14. The chief clerks of the senate and assembly shall each receive the sum of fifty dollars for their services at the opening of the legislature, at the session following the one of which they were chief clerks.

Appropriation for indexing senate and assembly journals. Section 15. There is hereby appropriated annually to the chief clerk of the senate, out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, for indexing the senate journal, the sum of two hundred dollars. There is hereby appropriated annually to the chief clerk of the assembly, out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, for indexing the assembly journal, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars.

How money to be paid.

Section 16. The money hereby appropriated shall be paid by the state treasurer on the warrants of the secretary of state, which warrants shall be issued when the duties and labor herein provided for shall have been respectively performed each year after the close of the session.

Appropriation to carry out provisions of act. Section 17. There is hereby annually appropriated a sum of money sufficient to pay the salary and mileage of the members of the legislature, and to carry out the other provisions of this act.

Repeal of conflicting acts.

Section 18. All acts and parts of acts in any way conflicting with the provisions of this act, including chapter eight (8), of the laws of 1867, and chapters thirty-eight and forty-five, of laws of 1869, and chapter fifty-eight, laws of 1870, and chapter eighty-one, laws of 1871, and chapter one hundred and eighty-nine, laws of 1874, are hereby repealed.

Section 19. This act shall take effect and be in force

from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 13, 1876.